



**Combined Education Policy and Directions Committee and
Operations Policy and Planning Committee Meeting
March 5, 2018 – GVSD Board Office, Boardroom**

REGULAR MINUTES

Education Policy and Directions Committee Members Present: Deborah Nohr, Chair, Tom Ferris, Peg Orcherton, Ann Whiteaker

Operations Policy and Planning Committee Members Present: Jordan Watters, Chair, Diane McNally, Rob Paynter, Elaine Leonard

Administration:

Piet Langstraat, Superintendent of Schools, Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer, Shelley Green, Deputy Superintendent, Greg Kitchen, Associate Superintendent, Deb Whitten, Associate Superintendent, David Loveridge, Director of Facilities Services, Nella Nelson, Coordinator Aboriginal Nations Education, Craig Schellenberg, District Principal, Aboriginal Nations Education, Louise Sheffer, District Principal

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Nohr recognized and acknowledged the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, on whose traditional territories, we live, we learn, and we do our work.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Orcherton:

That the March 5, 2018 combined Education Policy and Directions Committee and Operations Policy and Planning Committee regular agenda be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Orcherton:

That the February 5, 2018 Education Policy and Directions Committee Meeting regular minutes be approved with amendments.

Motion Carried Unanimously

It was moved by Trustee Leonard:

That the February 13, 2018 Operations Policy and Planning Meeting regular minutes be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – None

4. EDUCATION POLICY AND DIRECTIONS COMMITTEE - Trustee Nohr, Chair

A. PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE – None

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Recognition of Student Representative

Superintendent Langstraat welcomed Megan Scott and Saskia Van Beers student representatives from Esquimalt High School.

2. Aboriginal Education - Annual Review

Deputy Superintendent Green, Nella Nelson, Coordinator, Aboriginal Nations Education, Craig Schellenberg, District Principal, Aboriginal Nations Education and Louise Sheffer, District Principal presented the Aboriginal Education Annual report. Trustees asked questions of clarification.

3. Policy on Inclusion

Trustee Orcherton presented her rationale.

It was moved by Trustee Orcherton:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent of Schools to write a policy on inclusion and return a draft policy to the Education Policy and Directions Committee at a future meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously

C. NOTICE OF MOTION – None

5. OPERATIONS POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE - Trustee Watters, Chair

A. PRESENTATIONS

1. Artemis Place Society

Representatives of Artemis Society sent their regrets and will present at a future meeting.

2. Strawberry Vale Preschool

Kimberley Guiry, President Strawberry Vale Preschool presented on behalf of the organization. She indicated that the group has traditionally maintained their facility and are seeking a rental rate similar to their previous rate. Chair Watters thanked them for the presentation.

3. Bowker Creek Initiative

Jody Watson, CRD Harbours and Watersheds Coordinator updated the Committee on the current status and work plans related to the restoration of Bowker Creek and requested the Committee's endorsement of the "Bowker Creek Blueprint" which is a

commitment to incorporate the principles and goals into future planning. Trustees thanked Ms. Watson for her presentation.

It was moved by Trustee McNally:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) endorse in principle the Bowker Creek Blueprint.

Motion Carried

For: Trustees McNally, Paynter and Watters
Abstained: Trustee Leonard

B. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – None

C. PERSONNEL ITEMS – None

D. FINANCE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

1. Lunch-Hour Supervision Costing

Deputy Superintendent Green reviewed the lunch-time monitor and playground supervision considerations and explained that the cost of thirty extra supervisors would be approximately \$173,850. Trustees asked questions and provided comments.

It was moved by Trustee McNally:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to bring back operationalized recommendations for K-5 lunch hour supervision after consultation with our stakeholders.

Motion Carried Unanimously

E. FACILITIES PLANNING

1. Fortis Right-of-Way Agreement

David Loveridge, Director, Facilities Services explained that a statutory-right-of-way has been requested by FortisBC Energy Inc. related to the installation of a natural gas pipeline at Oak Bay High School to provide gas service to the school and to the tennis bubbles owned and operated by the District of Oak Bay.

It was moved by Trustee Leonard:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) approve granting a Statutory Right-of-Way to FortisBC Energy Inc. for the purpose of installing and maintaining a gas pipeline on the Oak Bay High School properties legally described as Lot 2, Section 28, Victoria Land District, Plan 2376 except part in Plan 8380, PID 006-524-265, and Lot 3, Section 28, Victoria Land District, Plan 2376 except part in Plan 8380, PID 006-524-273.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The Committee supported that the following motions be brought forward to the March 12, 2018 Board of Education meeting.

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) agree to give all three readings of the Disposal (Right-of-Way) of Real Property Bylaw No. 18-01 at the March 12, 2018 Board meeting.

Motion to be Carried Unanimously

That the School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) Disposal (Right-of-Way) of Real Property Bylaw No. 18-01, being a bylaw to grant a Statutory Right-of-Way to FortisBC Energy Inc. on the properties legally described as Lot 2, Section 28, Victoria Land District, Plan 2376 except part in Plan 8380, PID: 006-524-265, and Lot 3, Section 28, Victoria Land District, Plan 2376 except part in Plan 8380, PID 006-524-273 for the purpose of installing and maintaining a gas pipeline, be:

Read a first time the 12th day of March, 2018;

Read a second time the 12th day of March, 2018;

Read a third time, passed and adopted the 12th day of March, 2018;

And that the Chairperson and the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to sign, seal and execute this Bylaw on behalf of the Board.

2. 2020 Canadian Francophone Games in Victoria

David Loveridge, Director, Facilities Services explained that the Canadian Francophone Games offer an opportunity for participating young Francophone Canadians to compete in events in three specific areas: arts, sports and leadership every three years in a selected Canadian municipality. The Victoria Organizing Committee has been granted the right to host these games in Greater Victoria in 2020 and is seeking support from the Greater Victoria School District to potentially house and feed the participants and to provide venues for the various sporting, arts and leadership events that make up the games.

It was moved by Trustee McNally:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to work with the 2020 Canadian Francophone Games Organizing Committee to find suitable accommodations and event venue options that would help support the games.

Motion Carried Unanimously

It was moved by Trustee McNally:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) direct the Superintendent to return with a detailed facilities use proposal including a financial analysis, including a cost recovery model, for Board review and approval prior to making a final commitment for the use of District facilities in support of the 2020 Canadian Francophone Games in Victoria.

Motion Carried Unanimously

3. Horticultural Update

David Loveridge, Director, Facilities Services presented on the issue of the District's forest assets. He highlighted issues of conditions and the financial challenges of having an inventory of over 5500 trees. He particularly highlighted safety concerns at Frank Hobbs and Hillcrest Elementary Schools. Trustees asked questions of clarification.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Trustee Questions

A question was asked regarding the promotion of the parent education fund.

G. NOTICE OF MOTION – None

H. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

I. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Leonard:

That the meeting adjourn.

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.